GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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TECHNICAL TEXTILE
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any policy in the 11th Five Year Plan for the manufacturing of technical textile;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has allocated any funds for technical textiles in the 11th Five Year Plan;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether growth rate for textile industry has been fixed at 16 per cent for the coming years; and

(f) if so, the measures taken to achieve this target?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (d): Yes sir. The Government of India has formulated a Scheme for Growth and Development of Technical Textiles (SGDTT) to promote indigenous manufacture of technical textiles to exploit global opportunities and cater to the domestic demand. The scheme encompasses three components:
(i) baseline survey to build the database of technical textile industry;
(ii) setting up of Centres of Excellence; and
(iii) creation of awareness among the enterpreneurs. Total requirement of the fund for SGDTT during the 11th Plan Period would be Rs.96.00 crores, out of which Rs.1.00 crore has been allocated in the Union Budget for the year 2007-08.

(e) & (f): The working group on Textiles and Jute Industry for the Eleventh Five Year Plan has targeted the textile industry to grow at the rate of 16 percent in value terms. Major strategies to achieve this target include consolidating the raw material base and adopting cluster development approach; continuation of modernization and technological upgrdation of different segments of Textile Industry through Technology Upgrdation Fund Scheme (TUFS); setting up of Integrated Textile Parks; increasing availability of textile machinery and wooing of foreign direct investment (FDI) in the sector; brand promotion support for design quality and ; support to technical textile, decentralized Powerloom, Handloom, Handicraft and Sericulture Sectors.